



STATE SENATOR **Wayne Kuipers**

30TH SENATE DISTRICT E-MAIL UPDATE



Anti K-16 Coalition Announced

In anticipation of intense lobbying efforts by education interests to gain guaranteed annual funding increases, a coalition of groups opposed to this effort publicly announced their coalition and intention to defeat this proposal.

Members include: The Michigan Chamber of Commerce, Michigan Association of Realtors, Michigan Municipal League, Michigan Township Association, Michigan Association of Counties, Michigan Restaurant Association, Michigan Association of Homebuilders, Michigan Soft Drink Association, Michigan Osteopathic Association, Michigan Police Officers Association, Michigan Chiefs of Police and the Small Business Association of Michigan.

Senator Kuipers Welcomes GVSU Teams to the Senate Floor

Senator Kuipers and other West Michigan Senators welcomed the national championship-winning volleyball and football teams of Grand Valley State University to the Capitol this week. The teams' coaches, both nationally recognized, spoke to the Senate about their athletic and academic accomplishments.

Fiscal Year (FY) 2007 Executive Budget

Governor Granholm's Executive Budget proposal totals 9.3 billion dollars. Ironically, the Revenue Estimating Conference in January projected that the state has 8.4 billion dollars to work with in FY 2007. You may view the Governor's proposal online at www.michigan.gov.

District Office Hours

The next scheduled office hour will be Friday, February 17, 2006 at the Coffee Grounds Coffee House located at 41 Washington Street in Grand Haven, Michigan. Residents are welcome to stop-by and meet with Senator Kuipers on state-related matters.